



## NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

### DRAFT FINAL REMOVAL ACTION WORKPLAN/ CEQA SPECIAL INITIAL STUDY PROPOSED LOS ANGELES NEW PRIMARY CENTER #5

Los Angeles, California

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** April 22, 2002 to May 22, 2002

#### WHAT'S BEING PROPOSED?

The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites public comment on the Draft Final Removal Action Workplan (RAW) for the Los Angeles Unified School District's Proposed Los Angeles New Primary Center #5 site. This workplan addresses the removal and offsite disposal of approximately 1,110 cubic yards of soil from the proposed site. The proposed site is located on the northern side of West Olympic Boulevard, between Normandie Avenue and Mariposa Avenue in Los Angeles. During the site investigation, total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPHs), volatile organic compounds (VOCs), polyaromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), and metals (lead and arsenic) were detected in soil samples at concentrations that exceed DTSC risk levels. Therefore, the contaminated soil will be removed and transported to permitted offsite disposal facilities. Prior to the removal, a post-demolition Focused Site Investigation (FSI) will be conducted to further characterize the extent of contamination in the southwest section of the site or Area 1. The RAW proposes to remove soil based on conservative estimates of the extent of contamination. Soil removal volume estimate changes could be necessary depending on the results of the FSI. DTSC has prepared a draft Negative Declaration for this project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Based on the findings of a CEQA Special Initial Study, DTSC found that the removal action will not have a significant effect on the environment.

#### WHY THIS NOTICE?

The purpose of this notice is to provide the interested public the opportunity to learn more about the project and provide comments to DTSC, concerning the proposed soil removal action, within thirty (30) days of this notice.

#### HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?

Your participation is encouraged. Comments concerning the Draft Final Removal Action Workplan and CEQA Special Initial Study may be submitted in writing to Ms. Laura Zaremba, Project Manager, at the Department of Toxic Substances Control at the address listed below, and must be postmarked by May 22, 2002.

#### WHERE DO I GET MORE INFORMATION?

A copy of the Draft Final Removal Action Workplan and other project documents are available at the Felipe De Neve Branch Library, 2820 W. 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Los Angeles, CA 90057. Additionally, all site documents and the full Administrative Record pertaining to this project are available for review during office hours at the DTSC Regional Records Office, 1011 N. Grandview Avenue, Glendale, CA 91201. Contact: Jone Barrio at (818) 551-2886.

#### CONTACT:

If you have any questions or wish to discuss the project, please contact Treva Miller, DTSC Public Participation Specialist at (818) 551-2846. *Si desea obtener información en español, comuníquese con: Eloy Florez, Especialista en Participación Pública del DTSC, al (818) 551-2875.* LAUSD contact: Tom Watson, Project Manager, LAUSD Office of Environmental Health and Safety, (213) 633-8242. *Si desea obtener información en español, comuníquese con: Sra. Lily Quiroa, Oficina de Alcance a la Comunidad del LAUSD (LAUSD Community Outreach Office), al (213) 633-8979.*

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